

Appln No. 10/625,834

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Reply to Office action of May 10, 2005

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

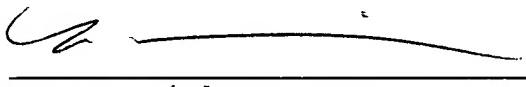
In response to the Advisory Action of July 17, 2005, the Office action of May 10, 2005 and the Examiner Interview of June 23, 2005, Applicant submits the above amendments and the following remarks. Claims 1, 10, 19, 28, and 47 were amended in the Response to the Office action filed on June 24, 2005, but the Advisory Action indicated that these amendments were not entered because amended claim 47 would have required a subsequent prior art search. Although Applicant maintains that its amended claim 47 is patentable, in the interest of expediting the issuance of the remaining claims, claim 47 is currently canceled. Applicant now resubmits the amended claims 1, 10, 19, and 28 for entry. No claims are currently added. Claims 48-56 are currently withdrawn. Claims 1-46 remain pending.

In the Advisory Action, the Examiner indicated that amended claims 1, 10, 19, and 28 would be entered and allowed if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment canceling the non-allowable claim 47. Applicant now submits this amendment and respectfully requests that independent claims 1, 10, 19, and 28, as well as dependent claims 2-9, 11-18, 20-27, and 29-37 be allowed. Applicant also again notes with appreciation that the Examiner has previously indicated that claims 38-46 are allowed. Applicant therefore respectfully submits that this application is in proper form for allowance, and requests that all currently pending claims, claims 1-46, be passed to issuance.

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If the Examiner is not in agreement that the application is in proper form for allowance, he is invited to contact the undersigned to resolve any remaining issues.

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